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517 East Wilson Avenue, Suite 202 CLERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DIST. OF CALIF. LOS ANGELES 3 4 Glendale, California 91206 Telephone: (818) 500-3200 Facsimile: (818) 500-3201 5 6 Attorneys for Plaintiff Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Inc. 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 Case GN 12-9139 MWF 10 Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Inc., 11 COMPLAINT FOR COPY Plaintiff, 12 INFRINGEMENT v. 13 DEMAND FOR A JURY TRIAL Poppie Tanksley, an individual and d/b/a Amazon.com Seller vinylrecordsale and 14 Does 1-10, inclusive, 15 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiff Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Inc. ("Warner Bros.") for its 18 Complaint allege as follows: 19 Α. Introduction 20 Warner Bros. owns exclusive United States distribution rights in 21 various creative works, including, but not limited to, *The Sopranos* ("the Warner 22 Bros. Works"). Each of the Warner Bros. Works is entitled to copyright protection. 23 Defendants, through the online venue Amazon.com, distribute, promote, offer for sale 24 and sell counterfeit copies of the Warner Bros. Works (the "Counterfeit Product"). 25 Warner Bros. is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that this 26 infringement activity is systematic and willful or done with reckless disregard of

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Warner Bros.' intellectual property rights. Warner Bros. asks that this Court enjoin

that activity and order Defendants to pay damages pursuant to the Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 101, et seq. (the "Copyright Act.").

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#### В. Jurisdiction and Venue

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2. Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §§ 101, et seq. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and § 1338(a).

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The events giving rise to the claim alleged herein occurred, among other 3. places, within this judicial district. Venue in the Central District of California is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and § 1400(a).

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#### C. Warner Bros.

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Warner Bros. is a corporation duly organized and existing under the 4. laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business in Burbank, California.

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Warner Bros. and certain of its affiliated companies are engaged in a 5. variety of businesses including, without limitation, the production and distribution of motion pictures and television programs.

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6. Warner Bros. owns exclusive rights under the Copyright Act to the Warner Bros. Works, including the rights to reproduce, distribute or license the reproduction and distribution of the motion pictures in video format in the United States, including, but not limited to, those copyrights that are the subject of the copyright registrations which are listed in Exhibit "A," attached hereto, and

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incorporated herein by this reference. Video format includes, but is not limited to,

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digital versatile discs ("DVDs") and Blu-ray discs.

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are wholly original with Warner Bros., its licensors and/or assignors and, as fixed in various tangible media, are copyrightable subject matter under the Copyright Act.

The expression and other distinctive features of the Warner Bros. Works

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- 8. Warner Bros. has secured from Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc. and Home Box Office, Inc. the exclusive rights and privileges to reproduce, distribute, or license the reproduction or distribution of the Warner Bros. Works throughout the United States. Warner Bros., its affiliates, licensees and/or assignors have complied in all respects with the laws governing copyright.
- 9. The Warner Bros. Works have been manufactured, sold and/or otherwise distributed in conformity with the provisions of the copyright laws. Warner Bros., its affiliates, licensees and/or assignors have complied with their obligations under the copyright laws, and Warner Bros., in its own right or as successor-in-interest, has at all times been and still is the sole proprietor or otherwise authorized to enforce all right, title and interest in and to the copyrights or to enforce its exclusive rights for home video distribution in each of the Warner Bros. Works.

# D. <u>Defendants</u>

- 10. Defendant Poppie Tanksley ("Tanksley") is an individual and does business on Amazon.com using the seller identity, "vinylrecordsale". Plaintiff is informed and believes that Tanksley is a resident of Fair Oaks, in the State of California. Plaintiff is informed and believes Tanksley transacts business in this judicial district through offers and sales of the Counterfeit Product in this judicial district, among other places.
- 11. Upon information and belief, Does 1-10 are either entities or individuals who are residents of or present in this judicial district and are subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. Upon information and belief, Does 1-10 are principals, supervisory employees, or suppliers of Defendant or other entities or individuals who, in this judicial district, are manufacturing, distributing, selling and/or offering for sale merchandise which infringes the Warner Bros. Works. The identities of the various Does are unknown to Warner Bros. at this time. The Complaint will be amended to

include the names of such individuals when identified. The Defendant and Does 1 -

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10 are collectively referred to herein as "Defendants."

### **Defendants' Infringing Activities** E.

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Amazon.com, Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Seattle, Washington. Amazon.com, Inc. operates retail websites which include www.amazon.com, www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.de, www.amazon.co.jp, www.amazon.fr, www.amazon.ca, www.amazon.cn,

www.amazon.it and www.amazon.es.

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Among other things, through its websites, Amazon.com, Inc. offers e-13. commerce platforms that enable third parties to sell products on Amazon.com (the "Website"). The Website provides services to third-party sellers, including the Defendants. Such services include, but are not limited to, design of the webpage describing and/or illustrating the product being offered by third-party Amazon.com

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sellers, access to the Internet community seeking product offered by the third-party

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sellers and fulfillment services through which Amazon.com sellers can have goods shipped from Amazon.com warehouses using Amazon.com employees to perform

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commerce platform to offer product or services to Internet users. Smaller sellers participate in Amazon Marketplace where they offer new, used and collectible

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Among the third-party sellers who employ the Website platform to

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Defendants have employed the Website to market, offer, sell and distribute the

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Counterfeit Product. Warner Bros. is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that the Defendants have distributed, advertised and/or sold and continue to

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copy, reproduce, distribute, advertise and/or sell unauthorized copies of motion

warner Bros. Works identified in paragraph 1, above, and Exhibit "A." Defendants do so using the Website. Defendants have not been authorized by Warner Bros. to reproduce, distribute, sell or offer for sale any of the Warner Bros. Works.

16. By engaging in this conduct, Defendants have acted in willful disregard of laws protecting Warner Bros.' copyrights. Warner Bros. has sustained and will continue to sustain substantial damage to the value of its creative works, specifically including the Warner Bros. Works.

# F. Warner Bros.'s Damages

- 17. Warner Bros. is informed and believes, and upon that basis alleges, that the Defendants have each obtained gains, profits and advantages as a result of their infringing activity in amounts within the jurisdiction of the Court.
- 18. Warner Bros. is informed and believes, and upon that basis alleges, that it has suffered and continues to suffer direct and actual damages as a result of Defendants' infringing conduct, in amounts within the jurisdiction of the Court. In order to determine the full extent of such damages, including such profits as may be recoverable under 17 U.S.C. § 504, Warner Bros. will require an accounting from each Defendant of all monies generated from the promotion, display, sale and offer for sale of the Defendants' goods and services using the Warner Bros. Works. In the alternative, Warner Bros. may elect to recover statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504 (c) for each of the Warner Bros. Works infringed.
- 19. Warner Bros. has no other adequate remedy at law and has suffered and continues to suffer irreparable harm and damage as a result of the above-described acts. Warner Bros. is informed and believes, and upon that basis alleges, that, unless enjoined by the Court, Defendants' infringing activity will continue, with attendant irreparable harm to Warner Bros. Accordingly, Warner Bros. seeks preliminary and permanent injunctive relief pursuant to 17 U.S.C § 502 and seizure of the Counterfeit

Product, including the means of production as provided by 17 U.S.C. § 503.

- 20. By reason of the foregoing, Warner Bros. has incurred and will continue to incur attorneys' fees and other costs in connection with the prosecution of its claims, which attorneys' fees and costs Warner Bros. is entitled to recover from the Defendants, and each of them, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505.
- 21. Warner Bros. is without an adequate remedy at law in that damages are difficult to ascertain and, unless the Defendants' acts are enjoined, Warner Bros. will be irreparably harmed by Defendants' deliberate and systematic infringement of its rights.

### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Warner Bros. asks this Court to order that:

- 1. Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, representatives, successor and assigns, and all persons, firms, corporations or other entities in active concert or participation with any of the said Defendants, be immediately and permanently enjoined from directly or indirectly infringing the Warner Bros. Works in any manner, including generally, but not limited to:
  - a. Reproducing, distributing, shipping, selling or offering for sale unauthorized copies, in any format, of any of the Warner Bros. Works;
  - Aiding or abetting the reproduction, distribution, shipment, sale or offer for sale of any unauthorized copies of any of the Warner Bros. Works;
     or
  - c. Marketing, advertising and/or promoting any unauthorized copies of the Warner Bros. Works.
- 2. That Warner Bros. and its designees are authorized to seize the following items which are in Defendants' possession, custody or control:
  - a. All Counterfeit Product;
  - b. Any other unauthorized product which reproduces, copies,

- counterfeits, imitates or bear any of the Warner Bros. Works, or any part thereof;
- c. Any molds, screens, patterns, plates, negatives, machinery or equipment, specifically including computers, servers, optical disc burners and other hardware used for making or manufacturing the Counterfeit Product or unauthorized product which reproduces, copies, counterfeits, imitates or bear any of the Warner Bros. Works, or any part thereof.
- Defendants be required to pay actual damages increased to the 3. maximum extent permitted by law and/or statutory damages at Warner Bros.' election;
- Defendants be required to account for and pay over to Warner Bros. all 4. damages sustained by Warner Bros. and profits realized by Defendants by reason of Defendants' unlawful acts herein alleged and that those profits be increased as provided by law;
- Defendants be required to pay Warner Bros. their costs of this action and reasonable attorneys' fees; and
- Warner Bros. be granted all other and further relief the Court may deem just and proper under the circumstances.

Dated: October 24, 2012

J. Andrew Coombs, A Professional Corp.

By:

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Attorneys for Plaintiff Warner Bros.

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**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38(b), Plaintiff Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Inc. hereby demands a trial by jury of all issues so triable. Dated: October 4, 2012 J. Andrew Coombs, A Professional Corp. Annie S. Wang Attorneys for Plaintiff Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Inc. 

# EXHIBIT "A"

# **COPYRIGHT REGISTRATIONS**

Copyright Registration Number:	Title of Work:	Claimant of Work:
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PA 943-492	SOPRANOS, THE: Pilot	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-491	SOPRANOS, THE: 46 Long SOPRANOS, THE:	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-495	SOPRANOS, THE: Denial, Anger, Acceptance SOPRANOS, THE:	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-494	Meadowlands	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-496	SOPRANOS, THE: College SOPRANOS, THE: Pax	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-493	SOPRANOS, THE: Pax Soprana SOPRANOS, THE: Down	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-490	l Neck	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-534	SOPRANOS, THE: A Hit Is A Hit	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-533	SOPRANOS, THE: Legend Of Tennessee Moltisanti	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-532	SOPRANOS, THE: Boca	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-537	SOPRANOS, THE: Isabella	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-536	SOPRANOS, THE: Nobody Knows Anything	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 943-535	SOPRANOS, THE: I Dream Of Jeanie Cusamano	Home Box Office, Inc.
	SOPRANOS, THE: The Complete Second Season	
PA 998-991	SOPRANOS, THE: Guy Walks Into A Psychiatrist's Office	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-992	SOPRANOS, THE: Do Not Resucitate	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-993	SOPRANOS, THE: Toodle-F***ing-oo	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-994	SOPRANOS, THE:: Commendatori	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-995	SOPRANOS, THE: Big Girls Don't Cry	Home Box Office, Inc.

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PA 998-996	SOPRANOS, THE: The Happy Wanderer	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-997	SOPRANOS, THE: D-Girl	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-998	SOPRANOS, THE: Full Leather Jacket	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 998-999	SOPRANOS, THE: From Where To Eternity	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 999-000	SOPRANOS, THE: Bust Out	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 999-001	SOPRANOS, THE: House Arrest	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 999-002	SOPRANOS, THE: The Knight In White Satin Armor	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 999-003	SOPRANOS, THE: Funhouse	Home Box Office, Inc.
	SOPRANOS, THE: The Complete Third Season	
PA 1-021-743	SOPRANOS, THE: Mr. Ruggerio's Neighborhood	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-021-743	SOPRANOS, THE: Proshai. Livushka	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-021-745	SOPRANOS, THE: Fortunate Son	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-021-744	SOPRANOS, THE: Employee Of The Month	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-021-954	SOPRANOS, THE: Another Toothpick	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-021-955	SOPRANOS, THE: University	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-021-883	SOPRANOS, THE: Second Opinion	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-022-080	SOPRANOS, THE: He Is Risen	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-022-078	SOPRANOS, THE: The Telltale Moozadell	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-022-075	SOPRANOS, THE: To Save Us All From Satan's Power	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-022-076	SOPRANOS, THE: Pine Barrens	Home Box Office, Inc.
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PA 1-226-024	SOPRANOS, THE: Rat	Home Box Office, In	
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PA 1-226-023	SOPRANOS, THE:	Home Box Office, In	
	Where's Johnny		

PA 1-226-025	SOPRANOS, THE: All Happy Families	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-232-994	SOPRANOS, THE: Irregular Around The Margins	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-232-789	SOPRANOS, THE: Sentimental Education	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-232-996	SOPRANOS, THE: In Camelot	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-232-995	SOPRANOS, THE: Marco Polo	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-233-180	SOPRANOS, THE: Unidentified Black Males	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-242-861	SOPRANOS, THE: Cold Cuts	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-242-857	SOPRANOS, THE: The Test Dream	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-242-860	SOPRANOS, THE: Long Term Parking	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-233-048	SOPRANOS, THE: All Due Respect	Home Box Office, Inc.
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PA 1-324-969	Members Only	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-324-970	SOPRANOS, THE: Join The Club	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-324-971	SOPRANOS, THE: Mayham	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-324-972	SOPRANOS, THE: The Fleshy Part Of The Thigh SOPRANOS, THE: Mr and Mrs. John Sacrimoni	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-324-973	Request	Home Box Office, Inc.
PA 1-324-974	SOPRANOS, THE: Live Free Or Die	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-324-975	SOPRANOS, THE: Luxury Lounge	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-326-293	SOPRANOS, THE: Johnny Cakes	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-326-426	SOPRANOS, THE: The Ride	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-318-644	SOPRANOS, THE: Moe N' Joe	Home Box Office, Inc
PA 1-318-645	SOPRANOS, THE: Cold Stones	Home Box Office, Inc.

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PA 1-324-820	SOPRANOS, THE: Kaisha	Home Box Office, I
PA 1-374-957	SOPRANOS, THE: Soprano Home Movies	Home Box Office, I
PA 1-374-958	SOPRANOS, THE: Stage	Home Box Office, In
PA 1-374-959	SOPRANOS, THE: Remember When	Home Box Office, Is
PA 1-374-960	SOPRANOS, THE: Chasing It	Home Box Office, In
PA 1-374-961	SOPRANOS, THE: Walk Like A Man	Home Box Office, In
PA 1-371-912	SOPRANOS, THE: Kennedy And Heidi	Home Box Office, In
PA 1-371-913	SOPRANOS, THE: The Second Coming	Home Box Office, In
PA1-390-894	SOPRANOS, THE: Blue Comet	Home Box Office, In
PA 1-390-892	SOPRANOS, THE: Made In America	Home Box Office, In

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

### NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District	Judge Michael	Fitzgerald an	d the assi	gned
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The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

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Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

All discovery related motions	should be noticed on the calendar	of the Magistrate Judge
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Defendant(s)

**SUMMONS** 

THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): TO:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with this court and serve upon plaintiff's attorney , whose address is: J. Andrew Coombs

J. Andrew Coombs, A P. C. 517 E. Wilson, Suite 202 Glendale, California 91206

an answer to the  $\mathbf{k}$  complaint  $\mathbf{k}$  amended complaint  $\mathbf{k}$  counterclaim  $\mathbf{k}$  cross-claim which is herewith served upon you within  $\mathbf{k}$  days after service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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# **SUMMONS ATTACHMENT**

Warner Bros. Home Entertainment Inc.,

Plaintiff,

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Poppie Tanksley, an individual and d/b/a Amazon.com Seller vinylrecordsale and Does 1-10, inclusive,

Defendants.

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(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff (Except in U.S. Plaintiff Cases): Los Angeles			County of Residence of First Listed Defendant (InU.S. Plaintiff Cases Only):		
(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number. If you are representing yourself, provide same.) J. Andrew Coombs (SBN 123881) J. Andrew Coombs, A Professional Corporation 517 E. Wilson Ave., Suite 202 Glendale, California 91206 / Tel.: (818) 500-3200 Fax. (818) 500-3201			Attorneys (If Known)		
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865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))			